

DESPERATE STONES ARE TOO HURRIED

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WYCOMBE WANDERERS 0, WEALDSTONE 1

A WELL taken chance by Colin Franks in the 73rd minute saved Wealdstone's pride in this mist-laden struggle against a lively Wycombe Wanderers side at Loakes Park on Saturday.

From the opening minutes the game was hampered by poor visibility and the lights were in full use, being little help to Wealdstone on the sloping pitch.

Wealdstone played soundly—but not over-skillfully—and it was with great relief that the band of Wealdstone supporters saw Franks' goal into the back of the net.

Both Bremer and Swain made several good runs but seemed unable to penetrate the solid wall formed by the Wycombe defenders, Temel and Gale. It looked as if the game could be sealed a few minutes before the interval when Montague received a short pass and sent his shot deceptively goalwards—but in fact yards wide.

Dave Leonard had a troubled game and was constantly harassed by inside-right, Worley, the two players being involved in desperate tussles for possession.

With the second-half under way the Wealdstone camp were getting restless, and more frustrated.

Centre-forward, Swain, was perhaps the most energetic Wealdstone player of the game and in the 65th minute sent a long, veering shot inches wide of the Wycombe post.

But Franks settled the issue when Bremer put a shot forward to him, drawing Wycombe 'keeper, Maskell, out and sending his shot into the back of the net.

WEALDSTONE: Williams, Doyle, Leonard, Bromley, McGuinness, Franks, Bremer, Townsend, Swain, Montague, Hutchinson. (Sub: Lindsay).
WYCOMBE WANDERERS: Maskell, Temel, Rundell, Layley, Gale, Baker, Thomas, Worley, Samuels, Faulkner, Merrick. (Sub: Horseman).